



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor
Proclamation*

*State Capitol
Boise*

WHEREAS, Mexico and Idaho have a strong and historical relationship; Mexican citizens have been present in Idaho for the past 150 years and continue to be important parts of Idaho society and culture; and

WHEREAS, Consul Ricardo Pineda was appointed Consul of Mexico in Idaho in 2008 by the Mexican government and established the first diplomatic representation in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the Consulate of Mexico in Boise, since its opening, has sought to strengthen the relationship between Mexico and Idaho through its social, economic, political and cultural contributions and has worked to bring the two communities closer together; and

WHEREAS, as the official representative of the Mexican government, the Consulate advocates for 10.4 percent of the total Idaho population, comprised of people of Mexican origin; and

WHEREAS, through the leadership of Consul Ricardo Pineda, the Consulate of Mexico in Boise has built strong relationships with local and state institutions in Idaho, which have led to collaboration on various projects benefiting the community; and

WHEREAS, through collaboration between the Mexican government and the State of Idaho, a number of cultural programs, exhibitions and significant performances have been exchanged, providing information and opportunities for improved understanding about the vibrancy of the Mexican culture today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 5, 2013 to be

CONSUL RICARDO PINEDA DAY

in Idaho, for his work in establishing the first Consulate of Mexico in Idaho and for the value that this intergovernmental relationship has brought to the citizens of Idaho today and in the future



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 5th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

A blue ink signature of C.L. Butch Otter is shown. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR**

A blue ink signature of Ben Yursa is shown. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE**